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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: **PROTECTIVE MEMBRANE-EQUIPPED COMPOSITE ELECTROLYTE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND FUEL CELL PROVIDED WITH THE SAME**

Enclosed are:

- ☐ This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ entitled \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ 30 pages of specification, 5 pages of claims, 1 pages of abstract.
- ☒ 6 sheets of drawings.
- ☒ An **executed** Declaration, Petition and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha. A recordation form ✓ cover sheet (Form PTO 1595) is also enclosed.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Transmittal of Priority Document, Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-157191, filed May 26, 2000
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449, and a copy of one cited publication, U.S. Patent No. 5,525,436.

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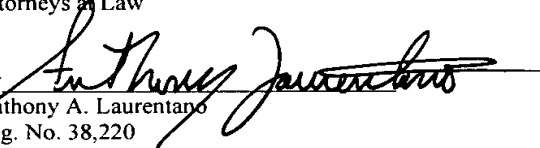
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